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Department of Transportation







• Planning & Sustainability Division

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Commissioner Patrick Kennedy Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A 532 20th Street NW #312 Washington, DC 20006 Via Email: 2A01@anc.dc.gov

NOI # 20-62-PSD

Re: Notification for the Installation of a 2-way bikeway and changes to on-street parking on 1700 to 2300 blocks of G Street NW

Dear Chairman Kennedy,

Pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Amendment Act of 2000" D.C. LAW 13-249 (48 DCR 3491 April 20, 2001), the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is required to give a written notice of our intent to add a new two-way on-street bikeway and modify parking on the 1700 to 2300 blocks of G Street NW. This letter is being forwarded to you for the purpose of notification and solicitation of comments on our intent to implement the following in your jurisdiction.

DDOT proposes to:

- Install a two-way bikeway on the south side of G Street NW from 17th St. NW to Virginia Ave. NW against the existing curb.
- Remove parking on the south side of the street within those limits, and modify parking on the north side to have a 9 to 10 foot wide parking lane sufficiently wide for commercial vehicles to use. Parking on the north side will be reduced to comply with the DDOT design and engineering manual (DEM) which requires certain setbacks from crosswalks, driveways, and intersections. Parking will also be set back in places to allow for turn lanes onto southbound cross streets.
- Install left turn lanes on the approaches to 19th St. NW, 21st St. NW, and 23rd St. NW in order to provide sufficient queuing space for vehicles.

- Install a 19-dock Capital Bikeshare station at or around the intersection of G & 21st Streets, NW in an in-street location adjacent to the cycletrack.
- Relocate the Capital Bikeshare station at G & 17th Streets, NW to an in-street location adjacent to the cycletrack.

The existing conditions of G Street NW in this area is a single wide travel lane with curbside parking on both sides of the street. This design allows for a two-way protected bicycle facility to be built, while maintaining parking on the north side and on adjacent east/west streets. Prior corridor planning considered a pair of protected bike facilities on F and G Streets, NW and through community feedback, DDOT shifted to focus on a installing the facility on a single corridor.

This segment is an important step in expanding the protected bike lane network, now also used by scooters and other personal mobility devices. The connections this will facilitate to the Roosevelt Bridge, 17th St. NW, and Virginia Avenue NW were conceived of during moveDC (2013) and the ThinkBike Workshop (2015). DDOT is taking this step to implement the recommendations from those plans.

We anticipate the following benefits:

- Expanded biking / scooter route for people traveling in Foggy Bottom and around George Washington University
- A contiguous and safe bikeway designed around users between 8 and 80 years old
- Substitution of automobile trips for walking, biking, and scooting trips in this area
- Reduction of conflicts between drivers and bikeway users
- Reduction of sidewalk conflicts between people walking and people on bikes and scooters
- Vehicular travel speeds on the street closer to the speed limit
- Improved safety due to reduction of existing conflicts

All comments on this subject matter must be filed in writing, no later than May 19, 2020, thirty (30) business days after the date of this notice, with the District Department of Transportation Planning and Sustainability Division, 55 M Street, SE, 5th Floor, Washington, DC, 20003 or via email at will.handsfield@dc.gov. If you would like to check the status of this Notice of Intent (NOI), please visit DDOT's website at https://wiki.ddot.dc.gov/display/NOI. In addition, if you have questions, have trouble accessing the NOI site or are unable to do so, please contact me at 202-671-3378.

Sincerely

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